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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6597

BILL NUMBER: HB 1134

NOTE PREPARED: Mar 14, 2012

BILL AMENDED: Feb 23, 2012

SUBJECT: Various Education Matters.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Speedy

FIRST SPONSOR: Sen. Miller

BILL STATUS: Enrolled

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill provides that no fee may be charged to a parent or student for transportation to and from school if a school corporation provides transportation or contracts with an educational service center to provide transportation. It provides that parent supplemental transportation contracts do not apply to transportation provided by an educational service center.

The bill makes a technical correction concerning school bus replacement plans.

Effective Date: April 1, 2012; July 1, 2012.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: The bill could impact local expenditures and revenues for transportation services since school corporations would not be allowed to charge a fee for transportation services or provide transportation services through a third party that would charge a fee. This will limit a school's ability to provide transportation services if they are not able to support these expenditures within their existing budget and revenue sources.

Currently, a few school corporations are providing transportation services through a third party that charges a fee. For example, Franklin Township Community School Corporation in Marion County is one school that provides transportation through a third party, an educational service center. The parent is charged \$475 for

the first child and \$405 for each additional student transported.
The technical correction to school bus replacement plans should have no fiscal impact.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Local schools.

Information Sources: Department of Education biannual financial data.

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